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PER CAPITA INCOME VIS-A-VIS ANNUAL GROWTH RATE
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) the annual growth rate of the country during the year, 2006-07;

(b) the annual growth rate of different States in the country during the year 2006-07;

(c) whether the Government is considering any scheme for bringing the per capita income at par with the pace of annual growth rate;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether there is any co-ordination between per capita average income and gross national annual growth rate in the country; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI M.V. RAJASEKHARAN)

(a): As per the Revised Estimates of Annual National Income, 2006-07 released by the Central Statistical Organisation, the annual growth rate of the country measured in terms of Gross Domestic Product at factor cost at constant (1999-2000) prices is 9.4 per cent during the year 2006-07.

(b): The annual growth rates of Gross State Domestic Product (GSDP) of different States for the year 2006-07 are given in the table in Annexure-1.

(c) and (d): The per capita income, as defined by the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) per person, changes annually due to the annual growth rate of GDP and the annual growth rate of population. Realizing a stable population, the pre-requisite for bringing the per capita income at par with the pace of annual growth rate is not feasible at the moment keeping in view the life table of the population and the projected rate of change in the population. However, the long-term objective of the National Population Policy, 2000 of the Government of India is to achieve a stable population by 2045 A.D., at a level consistent with the requirements of sustainable economic growth, social development and environmental protection.

(e) and (f): Yes, Sir. The growth rate of per capita average income is determined by the growth rate of GDP and the growth rate of population.